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James Marriot

Many thanks for your letter of August 15th. I am very glad to know that the equipment arrived safely and we shall look forward to having a report from your engineers when they have tested it.

James Marriot
R. D. Marriot

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5 September 1952

Mr. R. D. Marriott
Head, BBC Monitoring Service
Caversham Park
Reading, England

Dear Marriott:

[redacted] is on leave at the present time, and I am therefore taking the liberty of answering your 29th August letter to him. I am sure that he will agree to your suggestion that the next meeting be tentatively scheduled for early December. We have just sent you our proposals for the agenda for the meeting.

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Your visit to Cyprus should prove most beneficial to our people there in view of the close coordination between our Cyprus station and yours at Caversham.

I shall be interested in hearing your impressions of the island since I have many fond memories of my stay there. We are looking forward to meeting you in December.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]
Acting Chief

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Dear [redacted]

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I am so glad that [redacted] enjoyed his visit here and had a favourable impression of our joint effort. We were very glad indeed to see him here and always welcome visits from any of your people who have an interest in our joint monitoring.

Thank you so much for letting me know the various movements of your staff which may affect us. I know how much more difficult it is for you with your scattered responsibilities over the world to keep us exactly informed all the time, but you need never think we are going to take offence if something slips your mind. There could be no pleasanter colleague than Roland May and he keeps us fully informed as far as he can. We have been very glad to see Kriebel here this week and I shall be much interested to hear how he gets on in Pakistan.

Tempting though your suggestion is that we should be present in the United States at the time of the Election, I am afraid it is a little too early. It would certainly be impossible for J.B. Clark and a more likely date for him is about the end of the first week in December, though even that he cannot at this stage guarantee. Early December would also really be more convenient for me. Could we therefore provisionally fix it for then? My idea is, if this is acceptable to you, to pay a quick visit of two or three days only about the end of October to Cyprus, so that I shall have seen at least one of your stations before coming to Washington. I had thought at one time of trying to go on from there and go the whole way round but for various reasons I think this would be premature, and I would like to discuss the whole question of liaison with you first. We might later see if we could make a trip to coincide.

Yours sincerely,

R. May